has not perceived any reluctance by these companies in pursuing their proposals on account of the sanctions announced recently by the US Government.

(b) Details of proposal received:

S.No.	Name of Company	Proposal
1.	Enron International, USA	For setting up gas fired power plants at 5-7 location totalling a capacity of 10000MW Specific location have not been indicated.
2.	Southern Electric, USA	For setting up coal based plant (6x660 MW) in the state of Orissa.
3.	China National Coal Mining Engineering equipment Group Corporation, China	For setting 1000 to 1500 MW project at Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu and coal based project at Tenughat, (capacity etc. not indicated).

(c) and (d) The modalities for setting up these projects are being finalised.

World Bank Assistance to NTPC

820. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state;

(a) whether in the wake of sanctions threat by USA over the recent underground nuclear tests conducted by Government, any chage in the World Bank assistance for the national Thermal Power Corporation is anticipated;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the likely impact on the power projects taken up by NTPC as a result thereof; and

(d) the manner in which Government propose to meet the financial gap in the event of withdrawal of assistance by the World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (d) National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) is presently implementing Vindhyachal Thermal Power Project Stage-II (1000 MW) and Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power Project (350 MW) with World Bank funding. A first tranche time slice loan of US $ 400 million has already been committed by the World Bank which is effective from 1994. Out of this US $ 274.03 million has already been drawn and utilised by NTPC. NTPC should be in a position to draw the undisbursed portion of this loan, which is already committed. Further, discussions are on by NTPC with the World Bank for second tranche time slice loan for funding Talcher Thermal Power Project Stage-II and eligible expenditure for Vindhyachal. Thermal Power Project Stage-II and Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power project beyond the closing date of the first tranche.

NTPC will arrange funds from the International/domestic markets, in the event of any difficulty in getting disbursement from the loan already committed or non-materialization of the second tranche time slice loan. There will be no adverse effect on the implementation of NTPC projects.

हिमाचल प्रदेश में नाथपा-झाकड़ी विद्युत परियोजना

821. **श्री बरजिन्दर सिंह:**
श्री बलवंत सिंह रामूवालिया:

क्या **विद्युत** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि शिमला के निकट नाथपा-झाकड़ी विद्युत परियोजना निर्माणाधीन है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि निर्माण कार्य प्रारंभ होने से परियोजना के स्वरूप को अंतिम रूप नहीं दिया जा सका;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण है;

(घ) क्या इस संबंध में कोई निर्णय ले लिया गया है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इस परियोजना में बांध की ऊंचाई कितनी होगी और अब तक परियोजना की निर्माण लागत अपनी मूल निर्माण लागत से कितनी अधिक आंकी जा चुकी है?

विद्युत मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम): (क) से (ङ) जी हां, 4337.95 करोड़ की अनुमोदित लागत का